

**VILLAGE OF CACHE CREEK, BRITISH COLUMBIA**  
**REGULAR MEETING HELD THE 16<sup>th</sup> OF MAY, 2022 VOLUME 37, PAGE 55**

Present: Mayor Santo Talarico (Attendance via Teams)  
Councillors Wendy Coomber, and Sue Peters

Staff:

Chief Administrative Officer Damian Couture  
Chief Financial Officer Cristina Martini

Press & Media:

Jessica Clement: The HUB Online Network  
Dana Foster: Valley TV

Public:

Jim Lambert

1. **ORDER:**

Councillor Peters called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

2. **DELEGATION:**

A) Shawn Dang of Aryon Holdings Corporation

Shawn Dang of Aryon Holdings Corporation presented regarding the proposed Marlee's Den non-medical retail cannabis store.

3. **MINUTES:**

A) May 2, 2022 Regular Council Meeting

MOVED by Councillor Peters

SECONDED by Councillor Coomber

THAT the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held on May 2, 2022 be adopted as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

B) May 5, 2022 Special Council Meeting

MOVED by Councillor Peters

SECONDED by Councillor Coomber

THAT the minutes of the Special Council Meeting held on May 5, 2022 be adopted as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

4. **BUSINESS ARISING FROM DELEGATION:**

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5. **BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES:**

A) May 2, 2022 Meeting Questions from Councillor Pittman

MOVED by Councillor Peters

SECONDED by Councillor Coomber

THAT Council receive and file the report from CAO Couture regarding Councillor Pittman's questions from the May 2, 2022 Regular Council Meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

B) Compromised Laptop Allegation

MOVED by Councillor Peters

SECONDED by Councillor Coomber

THAT Council receive and file the report from CAO Couture regarding the compromised laptop allegations made by Councillor Pittman.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

C) CAO Status Report

MOVED by Councillor Peters

SECONDED by Councillor Coomber

THAT Council receive and file the CAO Status Report.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

6. **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

A) **Economic Development**

- Councillor Peters and Councillor Coomber

B) **Budget & Administrative Services**

- Councillor Peters and Councillor Coomber

C) **Policy & Bylaw Review**

- Mayor Talarico and Councillor Peters

D) **Public Works & Community Facilities**

- Mayor Talarico and Councillor Dafoe

1) Wildlife Display

MOVED by Councillor Peters

SECONDED by Councillor Coomber

THAT Council allow Kat Chatten to install a photography display in the Community Hall, as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

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2) National Public Works Week

MOVED by Councillor Peters  
SECONDED by Mayor Talarico  
THAT Council permit staff to close the office at 1:00pm to facilitate a Public Works Barbeque.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

3) Requests from Mark and Dianne Boutilier Regarding Drag Racing

MOVED by Councillor Peters  
SECONDED by Mayor Talarico  
THAT Council approve the requests stated in the letter from Mark and Dianne Boutilier regarding drag racing on Graffiti Weekend.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

**E) Village Services & Liaison**

- Councillor Dafoe and Councillor Coomber

1) Gold Country Update

Councillor Coomber provided a verbal update regarding the Gold Country AGM. Councillor Dafoe stepped down as secretary due to her workload, Barb Wiebe from Lillooet is the new secretary and Barbara Roden is the new treasurer. Director Steve Rice and Jack Jeyes are directors at large.

**F) Protective Services**

- Mayor Talarico and Councillor Coomber

1) Bill Elliott Long Service Award

Mayor Talarico wished to congratulate Bill Elliott on receiving his 40-year service medal from the Governor General of Canada for service to the Cache Creek Volunteer Fire Department. Mayor Talarico thanked Mr. Elliott for his service.

**G) Intergovernmental Relations**

- Mayor Talarico and Councillor Coomber

1) Councillor Coomber Report on SILGA 2022

MOVED by Councillor Peters  
SECONDED by Councillor Coomber  
THAT Council receive and file the report provided by Councillor Coomber regarding SILGA 2022.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2) CAO Couture Report on SILGA 2022

MOVED by Councillor Peters  
SECONDED by Councillor Coomber  
THAT Council receive and file the report provided by CAO Couture.

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3) LCRP Application Form

MOVED by Councillor Peters  
SECONDED by Councillor Coomber  
THAT Council give a positive recommendation to the Liquor and Cannabis Retail Branch regarding the application submitted by Aryon Holdings Corporation.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

H) Landfill Advisory Committee

- Mayor Talarico and Councillor Coomber

1) Landfill Meeting

Councillor Coomber reported that there was a brief meeting and that Wastech is going to apply to the Province to make the auto shredder residue and the contaminated soil part of their certificate and most of what is in the contaminated soil will be hydrocarbons taken from the site of Lytton.

I) Emergency Management Committee

- Councillor Dafoe and Councillor Peters

7. INFORMATION CORRESPONDENCE:

1) Survey Investigating Psychological Impacts of COVID-19 on Rural and Remote British Columbians

MOVED by Councillor Peters  
SECONDED by Councillor Coomber  
THAT Council approve staff to include information regarding this survey to the Village newsletter and social media.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

8. NEW BUSINESS:

9. QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC:

A member of the Public mentioned concerns regarding large commercial trucks speeding through town. He mentioned that in the past he had spoken with previous administration regarding getting a speed reader sign to try to make people more aware that the speed slows through town. Councillor Peters replied that CAO Couture is already in contact with ICBC and the RCMP regarding potential solutions to speeding issues in all areas of town. CAO Couture replied that yes, he has had conversations with several residents regarding this issue and is working towards developing solutions, including speed control through environmental design, such as speed bumps and parking triangles. Mayor Talarico responded that he and CAO Couture had met with the acting sergeant and acting staff sergeant regarding several issues including speeding. The RCMP response is that they will make an effort to do more patrols and set more speed traps within the Village and on local highways.

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10. **QUESTIONS FROM THE PRESS:**

Barbara Roden from the Journal asked at the last meeting of Council Councillor Pittman was asked to detail her allegations about the allegedly compromised laptop and provide this information prior to the next meeting, which is tonight. Has she provided this information. CAO Couture replied that to date that has not been provided. Barbara Roden further asked CAO Couture that the CAO report notes that Councillor Pittman has been asked to contact the Village contracted IT professional with the specifics of the issues so that they can investigate. Has she done so? CAO Couture replied that he cannot answer because that is ongoing but he does not know. Based on the nature of the investigation he is intentionally out of the loop. Mayor Talarico responded that the allegations are fairly serious and Council is trying their best to determine where those allegations came from and how much validity they have at this point. As to date it is his understanding that Councillor Pittman has not provided the information that is required to the tech people so that they can get to the bottom of the allegations. These allegations are serious and they take them seriously as a Council. They are waiting to hear from Councillor Pittman and it is disturbing that they have not heard from her yet.

11. **CLOSED SESSION:**

MOVED by Councillor Peters

SECONDED by Councillor Coomber

THAT Council move to a CLOSED Session pursuant to Section 90 of the *Community Charter* to consider items relating to one or more of the following:

(e)the acquisition, disposition or expropriation of land or improvements, if the council considers that disclosure could reasonably be expected to harm the interests of the municipality;

(j)information that is prohibited, or information that if it were presented in a document would be prohibited, from disclosure under section 21 of the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*;

Council closed the meeting to the public at 7:29 pm.

12. **ITEMS RELEASED FROM CLOSED MEETING**

B) **Cache Creek Volunteer Firefighter Association Service Provider Agreement**

MOVED by Councillor Peters

SECONDED by Councillor Coomber

THAT this item be released to Open Meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MOVED by Councillor Peters

SECONDED by Councillor Coomber

THAT Council direct staff to proceed with a Service Provider Agreement with the Cache Creek Volunteer Firefighters Association for the purpose of organizing, hosting, and participating in community events within Cache Creek.

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13. **ADJOURNMENT:**

MOVED by Councillor Peters  
SECONDED by Mayor Talarico  
THAT Council adjourn the meeting at 8:27 pm.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

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Santo Talarico, Mayor

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Damian Couture,  
Chief Administrative Officer

I hereby certify the foregoing to be a true recording of the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held the 16<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2022 E. & O.E.E.

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Corporate Officer